

(c) A rehabilitation employee's written consent is secured for release of information regarding disability to a person, agency, or establishment seeking the information for purposes other than the approved rehabilitation planning with such employee.

Subpart F—Occupational Disease Which Does Not Immediately Result in Death or Disability

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§ 702.601 Definitions.

(a) *Time of injury.* For purposes of this subpart and with respect to an occupational disease which does not immediately result in death or disability, the time of injury shall be deemed to be the date on which the employee or claimant becomes aware, or in the exercise of reasonable diligence or by reason of medical advice should have been aware, of the relationship between the employment, the disease, and the death or disability.

(b) *Disability.* With regard to an occupational disease for which the time of injury, as defined in § 702.601(a), occurs after the employee was retired, disability shall mean permanent impairment as determined according to the *Guides to the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment* which is prepared and modified from time-to-time by the American Medical Association, using the most currently revised edition of this publication. If this guide does not evaluate the impairment, other professionally recognized standards may be utilized. The disability described in this paragraph shall be limited to permanent partial disability. For that reason they are not subject to adjustments under section 10(f) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. 910(f).

(c) *Retirement.* For purposes of this subpart, retirement shall mean that the claimant, or decedent in cases involving survivor's benefits, has voluntarily withdrawn from the workforce and that there is no realistic expectation that such person will return to the workforce.

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§ 702.602 Notice and claims.

(a) *Time for giving notice of injury or death.* Refer to § 702.207.

(b) *Time for filing of claims.* Refer to § 702.212.

§ 702.603 Determining the payrate for compensating occupational disease claims which become manifest after retirement.

(a) If the time of injury occurs within the first year after the employee has retired, the payrate for compensation purposes shall be one fifty-second part of the employee's average annual earnings during the fifty-two week period preceding retirement.

(b) If the time of injury occurs more than one year after the employee has retired the payrate for compensation purposes shall be the national average weekly wage, determined according to section 6(b)(3) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. 906(b)(3), at the time of injury.

§ 702.604 Determining the amount of compensation for occupational disease claims which become manifest after retirement.

(a) If the claim is for disability benefits and the time of injury occurs after the employee has retired, compensation shall be 66⅔ percent of the payrate, as determined under § 702.603, times the disability, as determined according to § 702.601(b).

(b) If the claim is for death benefits and the time of injury occurs after the decedent has retired, compensation shall be the percent specified in section 9 of the Act, 33 U.S.C. 909, times the payrate determined according to § 702.603. Total weekly death benefits shall not exceed one fifty-second part of the decedent's average annual earnings during the fifty-two week period preceding retirement, such benefits shall be subject to the limitation provided for in section 6(b)(1) of the Act, 33 U.S.C. 906(b)(1).

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